

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.

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Form no.

108



wn Lexington

ress 26 Hancock Street

me Oliver Kendall House

esent use residence

esent owner \_\_\_\_\_

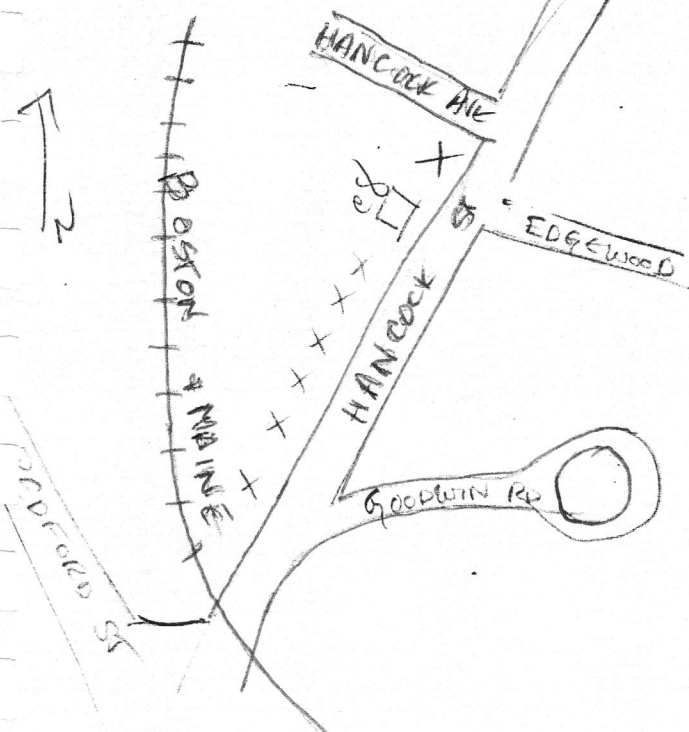
scription:

ae c 1840

Source \_\_\_\_\_

le Greek Revival

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE  
USGS Quadrant \_\_\_\_\_

MHC Photo no. \_\_\_\_\_

Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior wall fabric Clapboard

Outbuildings (describe) Clapboard barn converted to garage.

Other features Gable end to street, wide corner boards, continuous cornice across gable, granite foundation

Altered yes, porch added Date c 1900

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size:

One acre or less \_\_\_\_\_ Over one acre x

Approximate frontage 100'

Approximate distance of building from street 25'

6. Recorded by E. W. Reinhardt

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(over)

7. Original owner (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

Original use \_\_\_\_\_

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates \_\_\_\_\_

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	_____	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	_____				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

Descrip cont; 1 chimney w. front, door insert with panelled <sup>1652</sup> ~~side~~ walls;  
side lights, heavy plain entablature, pilasters; windows 6 x 6; porch on E side,  
square columns balustrade between columns; added ell rear.

#### Historical singificance

- 1845 - earliest reference in Registry of Deeds is the date 1845, when the land and house are transferred from Oliver Kendall to Samuel and Hannah Bridge.
- 1874 - Hannah Bridge to her daughter, Caroline, and George Davis.
- 1919 - Caroline Davis to Alexander and Sarah Hammer.
- 1925 - the Hammers to Ruth and Charles Eichorn.
- 1939 - Homeowners Loan Corporation takes title for \$500 on foreclosure.
- 1940 - H.L.C. to Kenneth and Janet Jackson.
- 1950 - the Jacksons to Gordon and Katharine Welchman.
- 1952 - the Welchmans to Otto and Anne Gombosi.
- 1967 - Anne Gombosi to John and Marjorie Hovorka.
- 1972 - the Hovorkas to Kenneth and Margaret Brooke.

(Source: Margaret Brooke, notes of the Lexington Historical Society)

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*Oliver Kendall (1805-1885) came to Lexington immediately after his marriage in 1831. He served as constable about 20 yrs.  
Hudson v.2, p339.*

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)